

Listing and Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~System~~ Home system having a plurality of devices connected to one another via a home bus interface, in particular an IEEE 1394 bus interface, wherein one of the devices contains a control unit which, when operated appropriately by a user, polls system data for other devices in this system via the home bus interface, wherein said system data comprises characteristic data for a device, [[e.g.]] in particular a serial number, the manufacturer's mark, the device class, ~~output and/or input~~ output/input characteristics, the software version ~~and/or or~~ any error data and passes this system data to an output unit of [[this]] the one device, the output unit being ~~either~~ a device for writing to a mobile, digital data medium which can store the system data ~~or the output unit being a modem or another telecommunication connection which, when operated appropriately by a user, can send the system data to a desired address.~~
2. (Currently Amended) ~~System~~ Home system according to Claim 1, wherein the mobile data medium is one of a smart card [[or]] and a chip card having a memory, and in that, when operated appropriately by a user, the control unit in [[this]] the one device stores system data for the connected other devices on one of the smart card [[or]] and the chip card using the device.
3. (Currently Amended) ~~System~~ Home system according to Claim 1, wherein [[this]] the one device having the device for writing to the data medium is one of a set-top box [[or]] and a digital satellite receiver having a write/read device for one of a chip card [[or]] and a smart card.
4. (Currently Amended) ~~System~~ Home system according to Claim 1, wherein [[this]] the one device having the device for writing to the data medium is a

minicomputer having a drive for one of a floppy disk [[or]] and another data medium having one of a magnetic [[or]] and optical storage medium.

5. (Currently Amended) Device for [[a]] the home system according to Claim [[1]] 8, wherein [[this]] the one device contains a control unit which, when operated appropriately by a user, polls system data for the connected other devices via an interface wherein [[this]] the one device includes a device for writing to a mobile, digital data medium and wherein the device stores this system data on the data medium using the device.
6. (Currently Amended) Device for [[a]] the home system according to Claim 1, wherein [[this]] the one device contains a control unit which, when operated appropriately by a user, or when an appropriate remote polling code is received, polls system data for the connected other devices via an interface wherein [[this]] the one device includes a modem or another telecommunication connection which can send the polled system data to a desired address.
7. (Previously Presented) Device according to Claim 6, wherein user operation corresponds to remote control in the context of a remote polling code transmitted via communication line or by radio.
8. (Newly Added) Home system having a plurality of devices connected to one another via a home bus interface, in particular an IEEE 1394 bus interface, wherein one of the devices contains a control unit which, when operated appropriately by a user, polls system data for other devices in this system via the home bus interface, wherein said system data comprises characteristic data for a device, in particular a serial number, the manufacturer's mark, the device class, output/input characteristics, the software version or any error data and passes this system data to an output unit of the one device, the output unit being one of a modem and another telecommunication connection which, when operated appropriately by a user, can send the system data to a desired address.